Family Values

During my time in Congress, I have worked to support Kansas communities and families, as well as protect the values and traditions that we hold dear.

I will not support legislation that does not respect the rights of unborn children. I feel that life is precious from conception to natural death and I have a responsibility to protect life. Government funding of abortions is a clear violation of many Americans' deeply held beliefs and I believe that taxpayer dollars should never be used to fund abortions.

As a member of the Congressional Coalition on Adoption Caucus, I am committed to raising awareness of the millions of children around the world in need of safe, loving, and permanent families and to eliminate the barriers that hinder children from realizing their basic right to a family. I have the privilege of honoring Kansans who strive to improve the lives of children through adoption and foster care.

Parents should have the authority to decide what is best for their children. I believe that the government should be kept out of parental decisions regarding the upbringing and education of their children. I support legislation that would prohibit the federal or state government from infringing upon these sacred rights.

Family is the foundational institution of our nation and marriage is its cornerstone. I believe marriage should be between one man and one woman only. I supported the Defense of Marriage Act and have voted to amend the U.S. Constitution to define marriage as the union between one man and one woman.